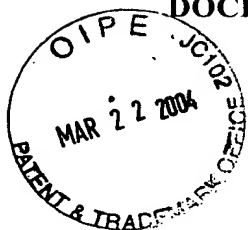


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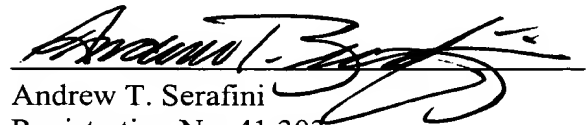
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**REMARKS ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED
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Applicant's representative appreciated the February 12, 2004 telephone interview with the examiner. As noted in the Interview Summary, Applicant's representative called to clarify outstanding issues from the pending Office action. As also noted in the Interview Summary, suggestions were made for the response, including the possibility of providing a declaration to move the prosecution forward. Applicants' representative will be submitting a Declaration and Supplemental Response to address all outstanding issues of record in the near term.

If the examiner believes a further telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 206-332-1380.

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